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SUBJ: GTE TELEX LINK TO BERENGO

1. TWICE DURING THE LAST 48 HOURS I HAVE BEEN CONTACTED BY SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TO COMPLAIN ABOUT THE BREAKDOWN OF THE GT&E INSTALLED TELEX LINK FROM BERENGO TO BANGUI. IMPERIAL COURT MINISTER FRANCK TELEPHONED ME JULY 12 AND THE PRIME MINISTER'S CHEF DE CABINET TOOK THE VIRTUALLY UNHEARD OF STEP OF COMING TO THE RESIDENCE TO RAISE THE MATTER.

2. AFTER EACH COMPLAINT I HAVE SPOKEN WITH RESIDENT GT&E REP DEMERS. HE TELLS ME PROBLEM ARISES FROM FACT THAT TELEX LINE WAS IMPROVISED AT REQUEST OF GOCAE SEVERAL MONTHS AGO AND DID NOT HAVE ALL NECESSARY EQUIPMENT INSTALLED. BREAKAGES IN SERVICE ARE THE RESULT OF REPEATED CIRCUIT BREAKER OUTAGES. I URGED HIM TO INFORM WALTHAM OF THE PROBLEM TO SEE WHAT COULD BE DONE TO UPGRADE THE SYSTEM.

3. COMMENT: IF NOTHING IS DONE BETWEEN NOW AND DECEMBER 4 WE (AND GT&E) ARE CERTAIN TO BE THE RECIPIENTS OF INCREASING COMPLAINTS. THIS WILL ULTIMATELY BEGIN TO HAVE POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE EVEN THOUGH I HAVE TRIED TO MAKE CLEAR TO THE GOCAE THAT GT&E IS A PRIVATE FIRM FOR WHICH THE USG IS NOT RESPONSIBLE. AF/C MAY WISH
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TO ALERT GT&E TO THIS PROBLEM AND ENCOURAGE THEM TO BE AS RESPONSIVE AS POSSIBLE TO GOCAE CONCERNS.QUAINTON

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